

A meeting of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority was held on Wednesday January 11, 2006, 8:00 a.m., at the Jamestown Police Department Conference Room.

The meeting was called to order at 8:04 by Chairman David A. Darlington.

Members Present:

David A. Darlington, Chairman

Stephen C. Waluk,

William Chuck Alves, DOT

Members Absent:

Richard P. Eannarino, Vice Chairman

Arthur H. Fletcher

Invited Guests:

Kenneth M. Bianchi, Executive Director

Richard E. Dragon, Chief Financial Officer

Peter M. Janaros, Director of Engineering

Marianne Hillier, Director of Operations

Robert Moorehead, Chief of Maintenance

Jo-Ann Head, Executive Assistant

Lori Caron Silveira, Esq., Legal Counsel

Meredith E. Holderbaum, Senate Fiscal Office

Item No. 2

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves,

passed unanimously to table approval of the December 14, 2005 minutes to the February 1, 2006 RITBA Board meeting at the request of the Chairman.

Item No. 3

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to approve: Tillinghast Licht

Professional Services \$ 8,966.66

Item No. 4

Motion by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to ratify: Parsons – Mt. Hope Bridge

Maximum Probable Loss Determination

05110584-B \$ 173.88

Deck CSS Contractor Submittal Review

05110584-C 12,111.93

Construction Support & Field Inspection Services

5110425 10,094.16

Maximum Probable Loss Determination

05121039-B 1,902.02

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Deck CSS Contractor Submittal Review

5121039-C 4,706.34

Construction Support & Field Inspection Services

05121041 2,453.12

Other Engineering Services

05121042 2,136.92

Electrical Upgrade

Partial Payment No. 16 169,445.15

Total \$203,023.52

Item No. 5

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves,
passed unanimously to ratify: E.W. Audet & Sons, Inc. – Mt. Hope
Bridge**

Electrical Upgrade

Application No. 17 \$ 78,343.77

Item No.6

**Motion by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk,
passed unanimously to ratify: Aetna Bridge Co. Newport/Pell Bridge**

Roadway Repairs

Application No. 2A \$ 69,144.14

Item No. 7

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves,
passed unanimously to ratify: McGraw Hill Construction Regional**

Publications

Dodge Bulletin/Report Advertisement 05-11

Invoice 00079585 \$ 3,280.00

Item No. 8

Executive Director Kenneth M. Bianchi reported on:

1) LNG – Newport County Development Council

Preliminary assessment reviewed with Board and a final report due for February 1, 2006 meeting.

2) Hogan Law Associates – Reviewed meetings with RI United States Congressional Delegation members and staff. They have complimented RITBA for providing information that is unique to the Authority and has a major impact through the FERC authorization process. They also recommended utilization of the non-partisan Congressional Research Service at no cost to the Authority.

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3) IBTTA – October 2006 Meeting

IBTTA will authorize approval for Newport's selection as its Fall Maintenance & Security Meeting at their Annual Meeting on January 14, 2006, where the Executive Director and Chairman will be present.

Dates selected for the Newport Conference will be October

22nd

through October 25, 2006.

Item No. 9

Motion by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to award Contract 05-11 Tower Painting & Rehabilitation at the Mt. Hope Bridge to Cianbro Corporation in the amount not to exceed \$9,778,801.

Item No. 10

Director of Engineering Peter M. Janaros, P.E. reported on:

1) Temporary shoring of Piers 30E and 35E on the Newport/Pell Bridge

was completed on December 18, 2005.

We plan to re-set Rocker Bearings on both Piers in Spring 2006.

2) Toll Plaza Truck Fire

Discussed value of New Emergency toll booth Exit Doors installed in recent Toll Plaza rehabilitation

3) Discussed P.B. letter of December 29, 2005 with recommendation for replacement of all bridge light poles on Newport/Pell Bridge

We will incorporate replacement in Contract 05-12 currently under design.

4) Economic Development Corp. Cameras:

Design is proceeding and Economic Development Corporation is requesting \$10 thousand for Mt. Hope Above – Deck Camera.

Will place this issue on February 1, 2006 agenda for consideration.

5) RIDOT Mowing/Plant Maintenance Contract has expired.

Does Board wish to consider renewal?

Will place this issue on February 1, 2006 agenda.

6) Construction Inspection Services selection is ongoing

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Charles Alves,
passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 a.m.**

Kenneth M. Bianchi

Secretary